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MCDH to sponsor residential, farm tire recycling event

WOODSTOCK — The McHenry County Department of Health (MCDH) will be sponsoring a no-charge tire recycling event for pre-registered McHenry County residents in November.

Registered participants may drop off tires smaller than 48 inches in diameter from 9 a.m. – noon on November 7 at the McHenry County Division of Transportation, 16111 Nelson Road in Woodstock.

Participants must wear a mask and maintain social distancing and are responsible for unloading tires that are to be recycled.

Solid Waste Manager Kelli Boeckmann said the event is a good opportunity for residents to reduce the potential for mosquito harborage on their property.

“Old, discarded tires can collect water where disease-causing mosquitos can breed,” Boeckmann said. “This no-cost opportunity allows residents to get rid of those potential breeding sites and reduce vector-borne illnesses like West Nile Virus.”

The following event restrictions apply:

- Only McHenry County residents are eligible. Pre-registration is required by contacting MCDH at 815-334-4585.
- A limited number of tires will be accepted. Participants will need to provide the type and number of tires to be dropped off when registering.
- Tires must be removed from the metal rim and free of water, mud and other debris.
- Tires accepted: Passenger Vehicle Tires, Motorcycle Tires, Small trailer and Smaller Sized Tires, Narrow Sprayer Tires, Utility/Farm Tractor Tires, Light Truck Tires, Semi Truck Tires, Rib Tires, Compact Tractor Tires and Hay Rack Tires.
- Industrial, heavy equipment and floatation and commercial business tires will not be accepted.
- No other types of recyclable materials or waste will be collected.